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Colonel William E. Odom, USA  
Military Assistant to the  
Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Col. *Bill* Odom:

I very much appreciate the kind invitation to deliver the keynote address at the annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs at West Point in November. Much as I would like to take part, my schedule for the next several months is already so crowded with speaking engagements that it is impossible to take on any additional commitments.

I am very honored that you thought of me this year and hope you will understand why I must decline.

Yours sincerely,

*Stansfield Turner*  
STANSFIELD TURNER

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Date: 12 Oct 77

TO: DCI  
FROM: John  
SUBJECT: Address at West Point

REMARKS:

Ben Evans talked to Col Odom.  
Address is to annual student  
Conf on US affairs being held  
this year at West Point. They  
are specifically asking for Friday  
afternoon 18 Nov. They are  
flexible on the topic although  
Odom states "want someone  
from Administration to outline  
our foreign policy."

As it would involve one day  
out of the office soon after all 11/11/77  
trip (11-14 Nov) recommend regret.

U/Repy John

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DATE RECEIVED: 12 October 1977DATE OF EVENT: November 1977

## 1. INFORMATION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT:

a. Source: Tel: Ltr Fm: Col. William E. Odom, USA

b. Type of event: Keynote Address

c. Special occasion: Annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs

d. Date/Time: Fri, 18 Nov, PM

e. Location: West Point, NY

f. Significant info: Col. Odom, Military Assistant to the Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, on behalf of Westpoint colleagues urges ADM Turner to accept invitation.

## 2. SCHEDULE:

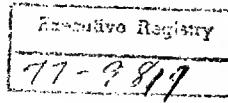

*11-1977  
West Point, NY*

## 3. RECOMMENDATIONS:

	Schedule	Regret	Remarks
AIDE		<i>OK</i>	<i>Topic questionable and it is soon after all elections.</i>
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## 4. DCI DECISION:

a. SCHEDULE NO SEE ME \_\_\_\_\_b. ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES \_\_\_\_\_c. PASS TO: DDCI \_\_\_\_\_ D/DCI/IC \_\_\_\_\_ D/DCI/NI \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_5. AIDE FINAL ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

October 7, 1977

Dear Admiral Turner:

My colleagues at West Point have asked me to encourage you to accept an invitation to deliver the keynote address at the annual Student Conference on U.S. Affairs in November. As you know, it is a very distinguished forum (Averell Harriman, Kissinger, and Brzezinski are former SCUSA keynoters). This fall they particularly want someone from the Administration to outline our foreign policy.

I hope you will give the opportunity due consideration.

Sincerely,

*Wm E. Odom*

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